

FRIENDS' HOSPICE



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SOME MEMBERS VERY KINDLY FORWARD THE NEWSLETTER, AND HOSPICE ANNOUNCEMENTS, TO THEIR OWN ADDRESS LIST - THIS GREATLY INCREASES OUR COVERAGE & IS A 'GOOD THING' - OUR THANKS TO ALL WHO DO THIS...

Although not many events took place through the long hot summer the Friends continued to raise money in different ways. Chrissie Jackson and her team have been invited to attend the funerals of Cypriot patients who have died in the Hospice, and from June to September this has raised over 8000 euros, a great help. Aliathon bowling club gave over 700 euros following a bowling competition which was sponsored by Fraser Mackinlay. Treasurer Brian Hill accepted a

donation on 500 euros from the UKCA. The Book fairs have continued and each month raise creditable amounts although the cakes and pie sales were halted during the hot season. These return to Armou Old School House from September. Don't forget the sales also sell DVD's and videos, ideal for those winter nights in Info 26653223 The Hospice: bed occupancy has remained high during the summer, a challenge magnificently met by staff and volunteers. The Episkopi Garrison Gun Club

(EGG) presented a wall-mounted flat-screen TV to the Hospice, while the visit of the Minister of Health to the Hospice on October 9th will start the celebration of World Hospice and Palliative Care Day which is on the 10th October. Welcome to the three new volunteers who have joined the team this summer and bring valuable experience in nursing and complementary therapies.

Dr Lorna Morrish, our Hospice Medical Advisor, has been sponsored by MECC in October to spend two weeks in Calvary Hospital in New York, a 200 bedded Hospice and Palliative care unit in the Bronx, a known centre of excellence. This will enable her to see, and bring back, the l

atest best practice. The Day of Beauty on Sept, 5th took place in a new venue, The Old Ottoman Baths in the centre of Paphos. Everyone agreed it was a lovely place to hold this exceptional day, when our therapists give their time and expertise to pamper anyone with 10 euros to spend. There was a

fantastic tombola, thanks to Sylvia and Elspeth, beautiful clothes from the Nearly New Collection, our books and preserves plus several good stalls who gave 20% of their take. A number of unsolicited donations ensured an excellent day resulting in a grand 2,930 euros.

Another great fund raiser was the new mosaic designed by Sharen Taylor, which will adorn the Hospice Garden when it is complete. The colourful butterfly attracted much attention and earned the day 123 euros. It should be complete by December. Our Shops were open through the summer, although the takings on these are slightly down on last year. The economic situation means people are not donating clothes so readily nor spending so freely. The new shop in Polis continues to do well. The Hospice Christmas Cards are now on sale. Judith

Constantinou designed and donated the view of Ayios Neophytos Monastery in the snow. Greetings inside are in two languages. Ten cards in a pack for 3.50. You can buy them in the shops, at the book fairs, or from Caroline at 51 Anavargos Ave. 2010 Calendars, which have been specially created by a professional photographer Kevin Jones, to benefit us and island Cancer charities will be on sale shortly. Each picture uses models who have, or have had, cancer and recreate iconic scenes from well known films. They will fit in A4 envelopes so

may be sent as presents. Look for them at our events and in the shops or call Chrissie on 26653416. 10 euros each. In order to raise awareness our image, members and helpers are being encouraged to wear a tee or polo shirt with the logo when 'on show' for the Hospice. Buy the cotton tee which suits you, and have the Hospice logo put on for 5 euros at Mackinlay's shop opposite the Mosque near the market. They have the logo and will cheerfully apply it.

The Fundraising Group has been planning several events for the next few months. 30th Sep. a Fashion show in Polis Cultural centre. 26653223 - On Sat October 10th (World Hospice Day) at 8.00pm will be a "Voices for Hospice" concert by The Paphos Chorale at Ayia Kyriaki. Admission free, retiring collection for the Charity. NB the BIG BAND concert at Coral Bay on 9th Oct is CANCELLED October 26/27 Peter Morrish and fellow walkers are making a sponsored walk for The

Friends' Hospice from Mount Olympus to Mandria, 80km, a tough assignment. Please Sponsor them in the Chloraka shop, and come to greet them on their return in Mandria on tue. 27th Oct - details to follow. There will be a Car Treasure Hunt on 15th November ending in a meal, a fun event for you and your friends. Details 26911641 December 12th pop down to the market in town and visit our mini bazaar stall selling cards preserves and books. We will be outside the Kava Café

from 10 till 1 p.m On this occasion we will be drawing the raffle for the pair of handmade quilts, these are lovely and will enhance your bedroom or give a cosy wrap round the knees as you economise this winter on the electric bill! At 2 euros each ticket don't miss your chance. Call Chrissie on 26653416. There is a new Hospice brochure with new pictures and text in Greek & English, for members to give to possible supporters. It will be available at all events and fairs.



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